# DELAWARE'S RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Press Briefing May 22, 2020

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## 8,529 positive cases

since first case confirmed on March 11, 2020

# 322 total deaths 4,296 recoveries 221 current hospitalizations



## 3,132 positive cases

since first case confirmed on March 11, 2020



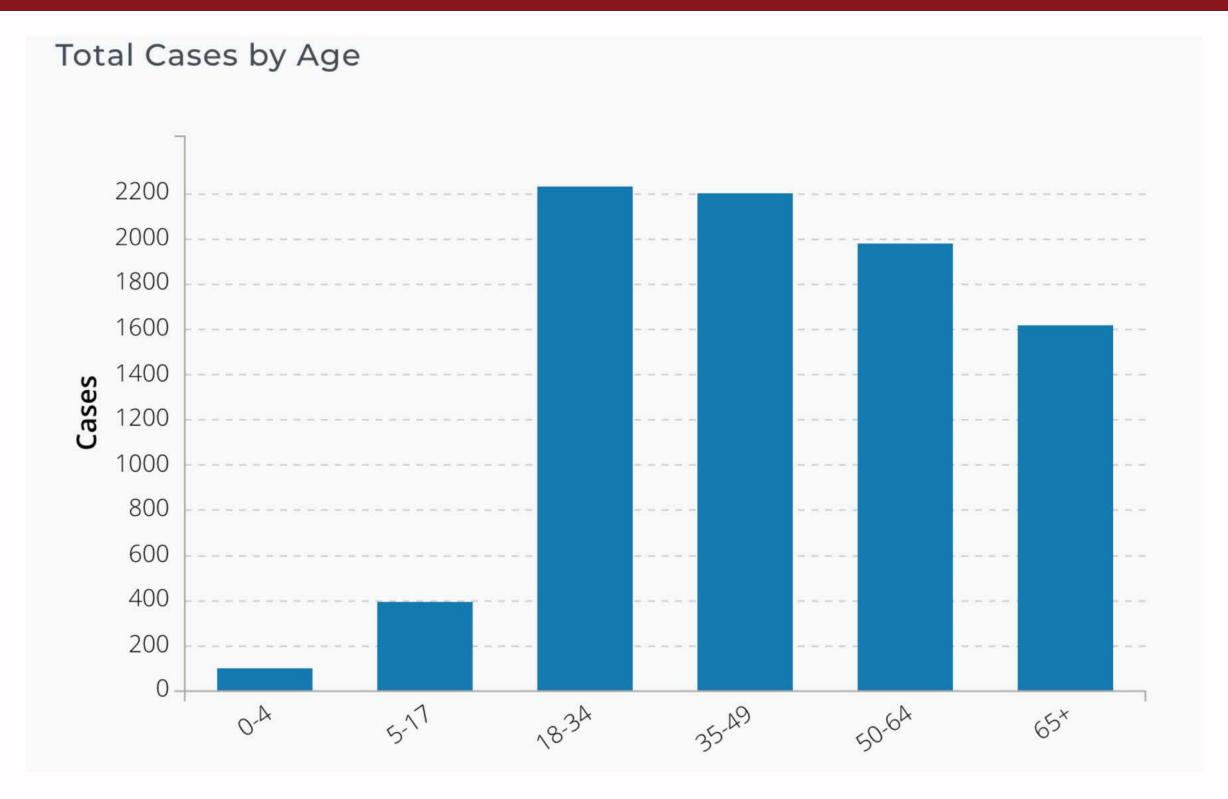
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since first case confirmed on March 11, 2020

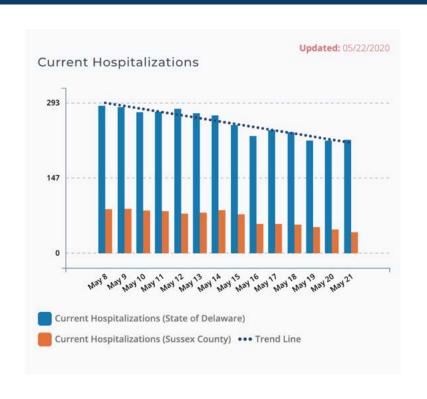


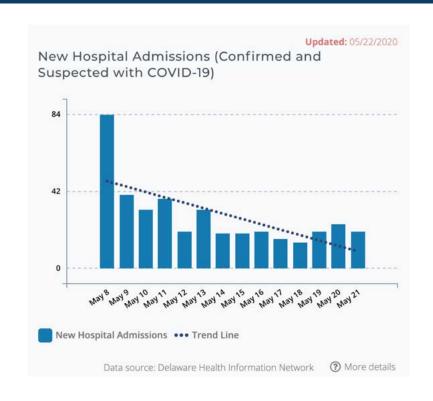
# 4,048 positive cases

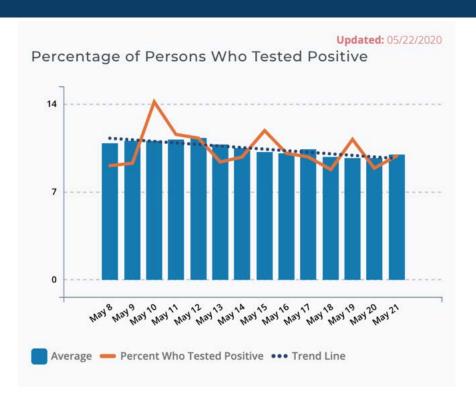
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#### COVID-19 Data Dashboard

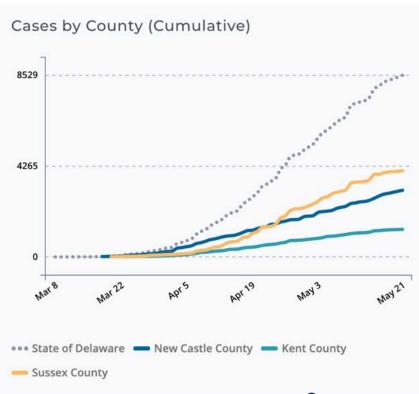








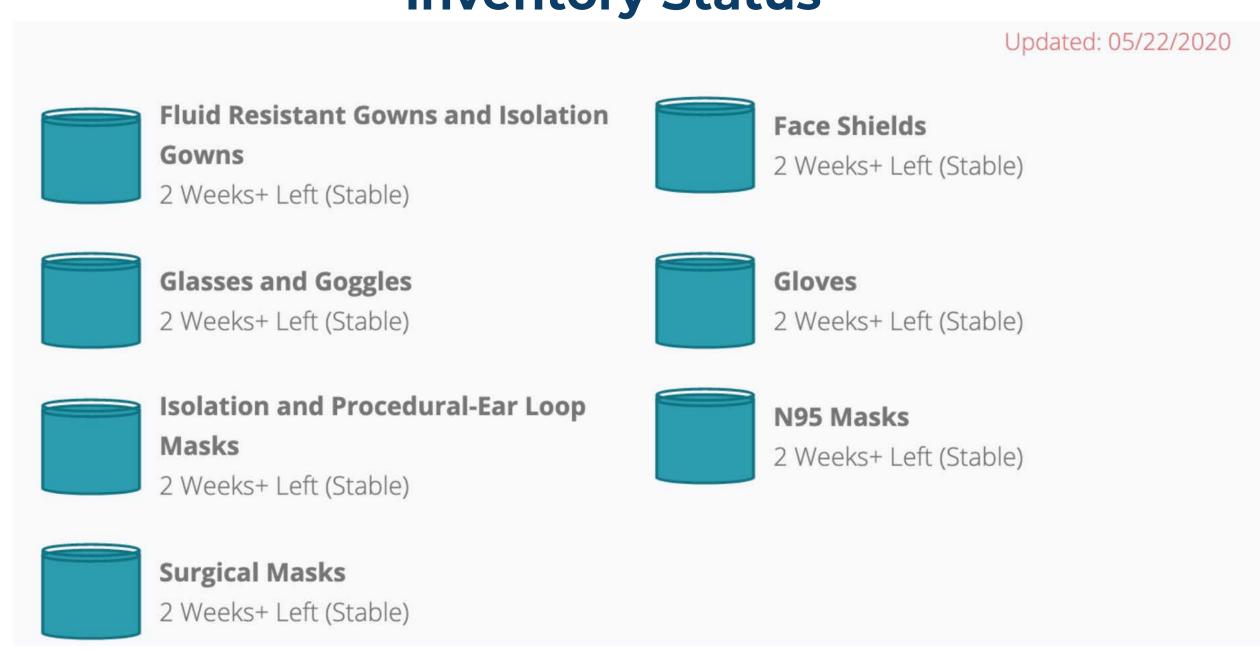




View more data: de.gov/healthycommunity

#### COVID-19 Data Dashboard

## Delaware's Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Inventory Status



View more data: de.gov/healthycommunity



#### HEALTHY ECONOMY

## Delaware is opening safely through a rolling reopening

## Rolling Reopening:

Starting today, restaurants can apply to expand outdoor seating effective June 1

Visit: delbiz.com

## Rolling Reopening:

# At 5:00 p.m., Delaware's beaches will reopen.

# Delawareans' actions this weekend will make a big difference.

#### DELAWARE STATE BEACHES

Beginning at 5:00 p.m. on May 22

#### **VISITORS**

CAPACITY LIMITS

## SOCIAL/PHYSICAL DISTANCING

#### FACE COVERINGS

#### SURF FISHING

Delawareans and for those from out-of-state who have quarantined 14 days

Parking will between limited to 50-70% of spaces; Enforced at entrance

6-foot distance required between those from different households; Household groups limited 10 individuals

Required on boardwalks; recommended on beaches; must bring into DE State Parks

- Number of persons per vehicle limit lifted at 5:00 p.m.
- · All individuals in vehicle must be from the same household
- Only one person needs to be actively fishing
- 20-foot distancing between vehicles required
- Drive-on beaches may close to additional vehicles if at capacity

#### DELAWARE BEACHES

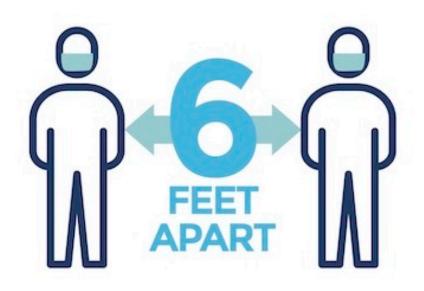
#### **Public Education**

- Beach entry signs
- Window decals
- Stickers for takeout
- Beach Ambassadors
  - Identified by "Summer Safely" t-shirts
  - Trained by Division of Public Health and Delaware Tourism Office
  - Address questions and provide informational resources





# USE THE BEACH RESPONSIBLY



Practice social distancing.



Wear a face covering in public places.



Wash or sanitize your hands frequently.



Stay home if you're sick.

# As we lift restrictions in Phase 1, we are focused on:

- ✓ Widespread Testing
- ✓ Isolating COVID-19 positive cases
- Expanding Contact Tracing
- ✓ Personal protective practices: Face coverings, avoiding large gatherings, social distancing

#### What is open as of this weekend

- Restaurants open for take-out/delivery
- Retail open by appointment
- Hair salons and barber shops: Hair care services only are permitted to be offered, and only to workers at essential businesses.
- Construction and manufacturing industries never closed
- Farmers Markets reopened safely; U-Pick open by appointment
- Issued guidance for Houses of Worship
- Delaware beaches, community pools authorized to safely reopen for Delawareans (5:00 p.m., May 22)
- Surf fishing restrictions modified (5:00 p.m., May 22)

#### **DELAWARE'S REOPENING**

#### PHASE 1:

**TARGET:** *JUNE 1, 2020* 

#### Food & Drink Establishments



30% capacity; Face covering required; Strict social distancing Reservation-only dining; delivery and takeout available; bars closed; no self-service

#### **Arts & Culture**



30% capacity; Face covering required; Strict social distancing

#### Retail



30% of fire code occupancy; Face covering required; Strict social distancing

#### Malls



30% of fire code occupancy limit; Face covering required; Strict social distancing; Food and drink facilities must follow food and drink industry guidelines

#### Barber Shops, Hair Salons, Tanning Salon



30% of fire code occupancy limit; Appointment-only; Face covering required; Social distancing when feasible

#### **Exercise** Facilities



30% of fire code occupancy limit; Face covering required; Strict social distancing; Classes under 10 people allowed; Thorough cleaning and disinfecting

#### Realty



Resume open houses with no more than 10 individuals; Face covering required; Social distancing; Proper disinfecting of property

#### **DELAWARE'S REOPENING**

	PHASE TARGET: JUNE 1,	
Casinos		Create and submit reopening plan to State Lottery and DPH; Thorough cleaning and disinfecting; employee training; 30% of fire code occupancy limit; gaming machines must be kept at least 8 ft. apart
Racetracks		Create and submit facility specific plan to DPH and Dept. of Ag; No automobile racing in Phase 1; No fans permitted to attend races; Staff must be socially distanced
Parks and Recreation		Remain open or reopen with modifications to ensure social distancing; No gatherings or events; Properly disinfect any equipment
Child Care		Must be designated as an Emergency Child Care Site; Open for employees of essential and/or reopened businesses
Youth Sports		No-contact sports and physical activities for children may resume; Strict social distancing; Groups limited to 10; Coaches and staff must wear face coverings; No competitions
Places of Worship		See <u>additional guidance</u> released on May 18.

## Rolling Reopening:

Even though we are reopening, the virus isn't going away.

Be smart and take precautions.

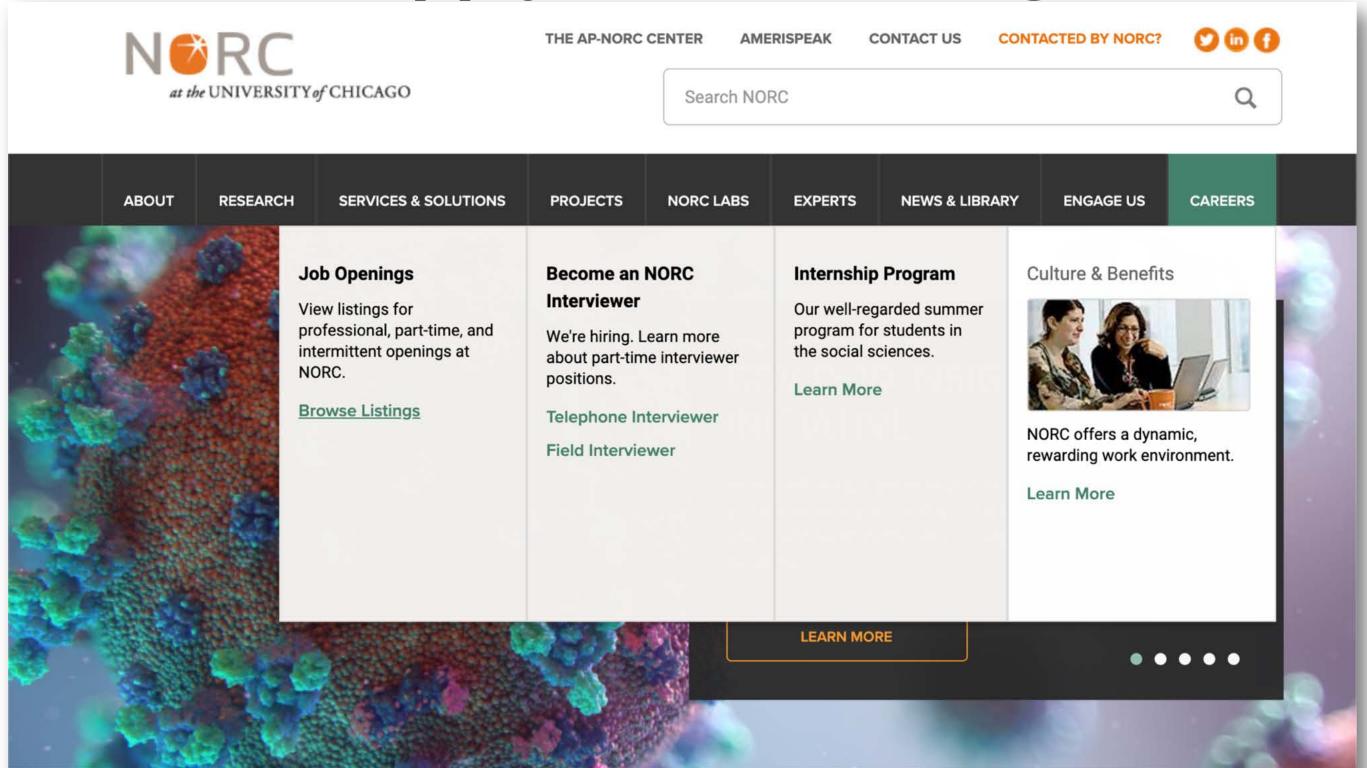


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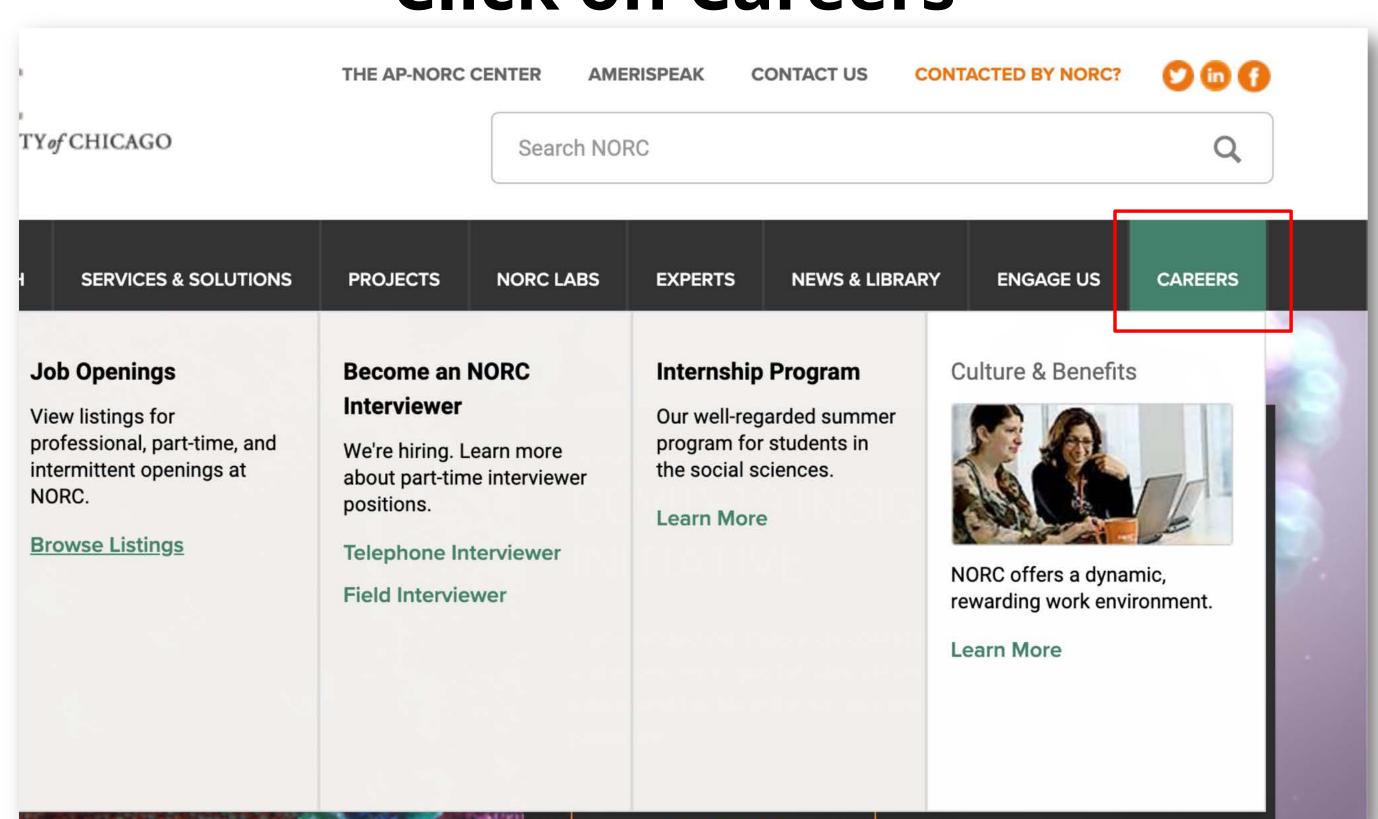
State of Delaware partner: NORC

Applications for contact tracing positions available at 5:00 p.m. TODAY

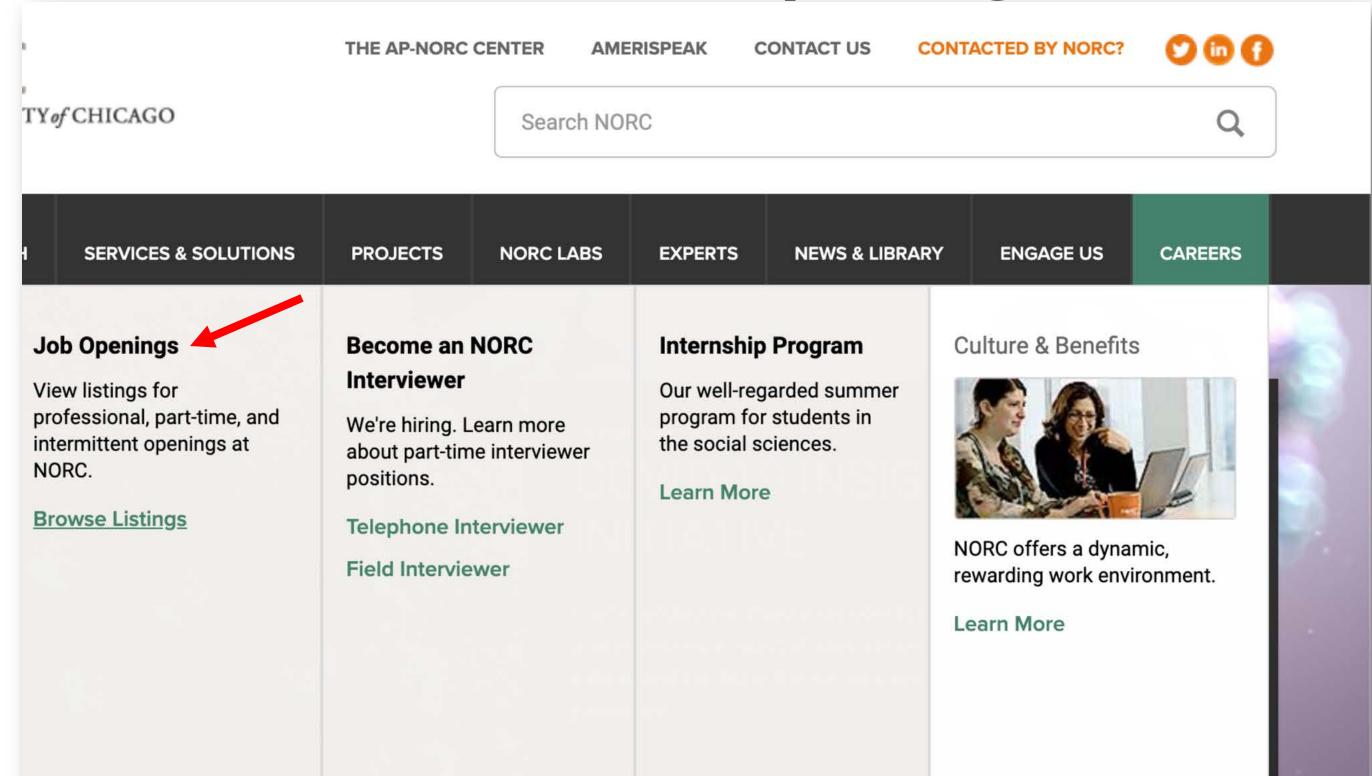
#### To apply, visit norc.org



#### Click on Careers



#### Click on Job Openings



## Important to Know:

- Personal information is not shared.
- Communicating with close contacts of a positive case is a good mechanism for limiting the spread of COVID-19.
- Focused on protecting everyone's health <u>AND</u> each person's personal health information.

## Update: Long-term Care Testing

Percentage of Long-term Care Facilities that requested to test staff or residents as part of DE's Universal Testing Program:

• Tuesday, 5/19: 15%

• Thursday, 5/21: 75%

## Sentinel Surveillance Program

## Public health surveillance systems describe the health of Delawareans.

#### Sentinel Surveillance

 Collects data from a smaller selected group of healthcare providers, known as sentinel providers.

## Sentinel Surveillance Program

Delaware's COVID-19 sentinel surveillance builds existing outpatient Influenza-like Illness Surveillance Network

 CDC program that collects flu data from medical providers

#### Long-term Care Surveillance

- Purpose: Mitigate spread of COVID-19 from asymptomatic/presymptomatic residents and staff
- May 5, 2020: Voluntary testing at LTC facilities
- June 1, 2020: Mandatory testing at LTC facilities

## **Epidemiology Laboratory Capacity Grant**

# **\$67 million grant**from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

## **Epidemiology Laboratory Capacity Grant**

#### **Initial Funding Plans:**

- Hire staff for enhanced laboratory, surveillance, informatics, and other workforce capacity
- Strengthen lab testing
- Explore and implement new and advanced technologies to improve electronic laboratory and surveillance data exchange
- Use lab data to enhance investigation, response, and prevention through contact tracing

## Director AJ Schall

Delaware Emergency Management Agency

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#### Testing Over the Last Week

- Smaller community testing events in Wilmington
- First Responder testing in Dover
- Nearly 1,000 tested at Middletown High School
- Glasgow High School

## Testing Event Calendar





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#### **Testing Locations**

\* Some hospital testing sites require that individuals obtain an order or prescription from a health care provider for testing. Teleconsultation is preferred. (\*Bayhealth, Beebe and ChristianaCare can pre-screen patients via phone without needing to see a provider).

If you don't have a doctor: Call 2-1-1, or text your ZIP code to 898-211 for individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing, and you will be connected to medical personnel about screening.

Select a county **New Castle County** Kent County Sussex County

☑ Beebe – Sussex

Submit

#### Testing calendar: de.gov/coronavirus

#### **Date and Time:**

Friday, May 22, 2020 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

#### Location:

Beebe: Various sites Call Beebe's Coronavirus Screening Line, at 302-645-3200 for location information Lewes, DE

#### BEEBE CORONAVIRUS SCREENING LINE AND TESTING

If someone is in need of an assessment, call Beebe's Coronavirus Screening and Assessment Line, at 302-645-3200. The caller will be screened and assessed for possible COVID-19 testing or another appropriate level of care. If the caller needs testing, the provider will place an order that can be used at one of the Referral-Based Testing sites once an appointment is scheduled. The line will be staffed seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. If a caller has a provider order, the line will assist with scheduling the patient at one of the Beebe Testing sites.

#### Next Week

- Dover Testing Event:
   Sunday, May 24
- Fairgrounds Testing Event:
   Next week Details will be available
   soon
- Additional testing for first responders and long-term care facilities

# Director Mike Jackson

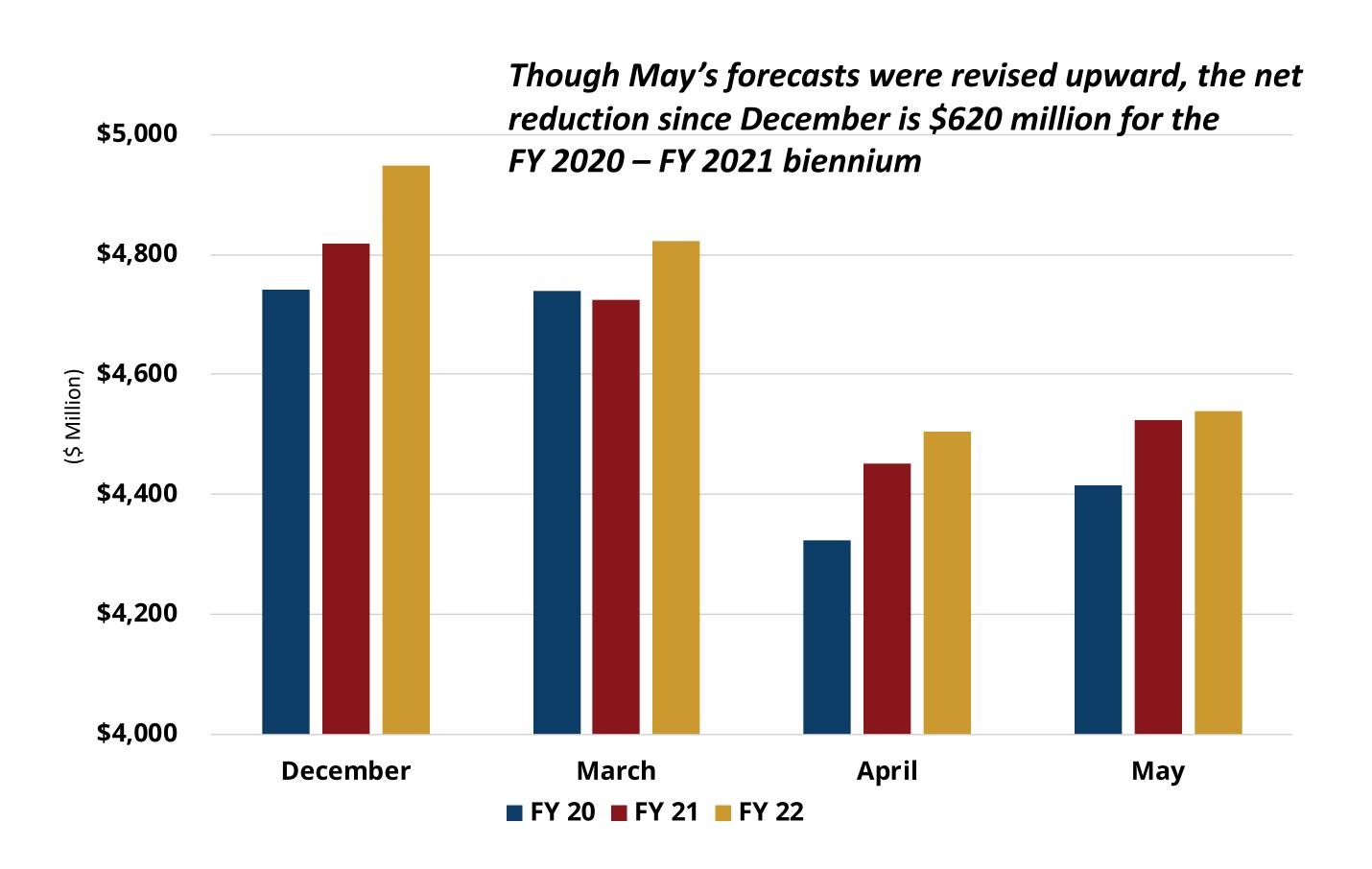
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#### **DEFAC Revised Estimates**



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Based on the State's financial management and revised DEFAC estimates:

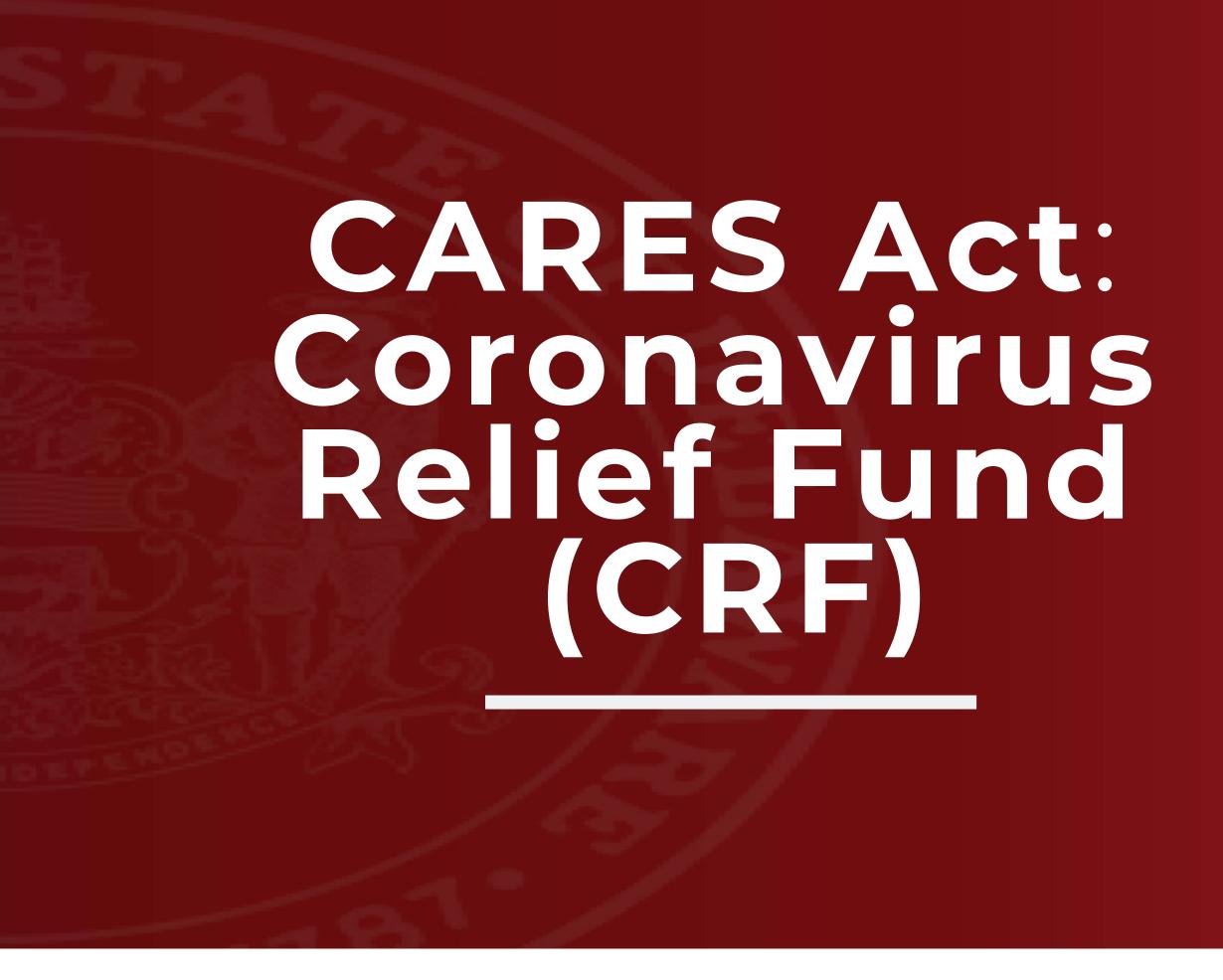
- ✓ the State is not forecasting a deficit for FY 2020
- ✓ the Budget Stabilization Account will remain intact for FY 2020
- ✓ the Budget Reserve Account will remain intact

<b>DEFAC</b>	<u>April 2020</u>	<u>May 2020</u>
Current Year End Cash/ (Deficit)	(\$150 million)	\$39 million

#### FY 2021 Budget Process

#### Moving forward:

- The FY 2021 budget will contain little to no growth as a result of the current economic climate
- The Legislature's Joint Finance Committee and Bond Bill Committee will meet during June to "mark up" the FY 2021 Budget, Bond Bill and Grant in Aid.
- DEFAC will provide their final forecasts for this fiscal year at the end of June
- Appropriations legislation is expected to be passed and signed by June 30th.



#### CARES Act CRF

State of Delaware \$1.25 billion

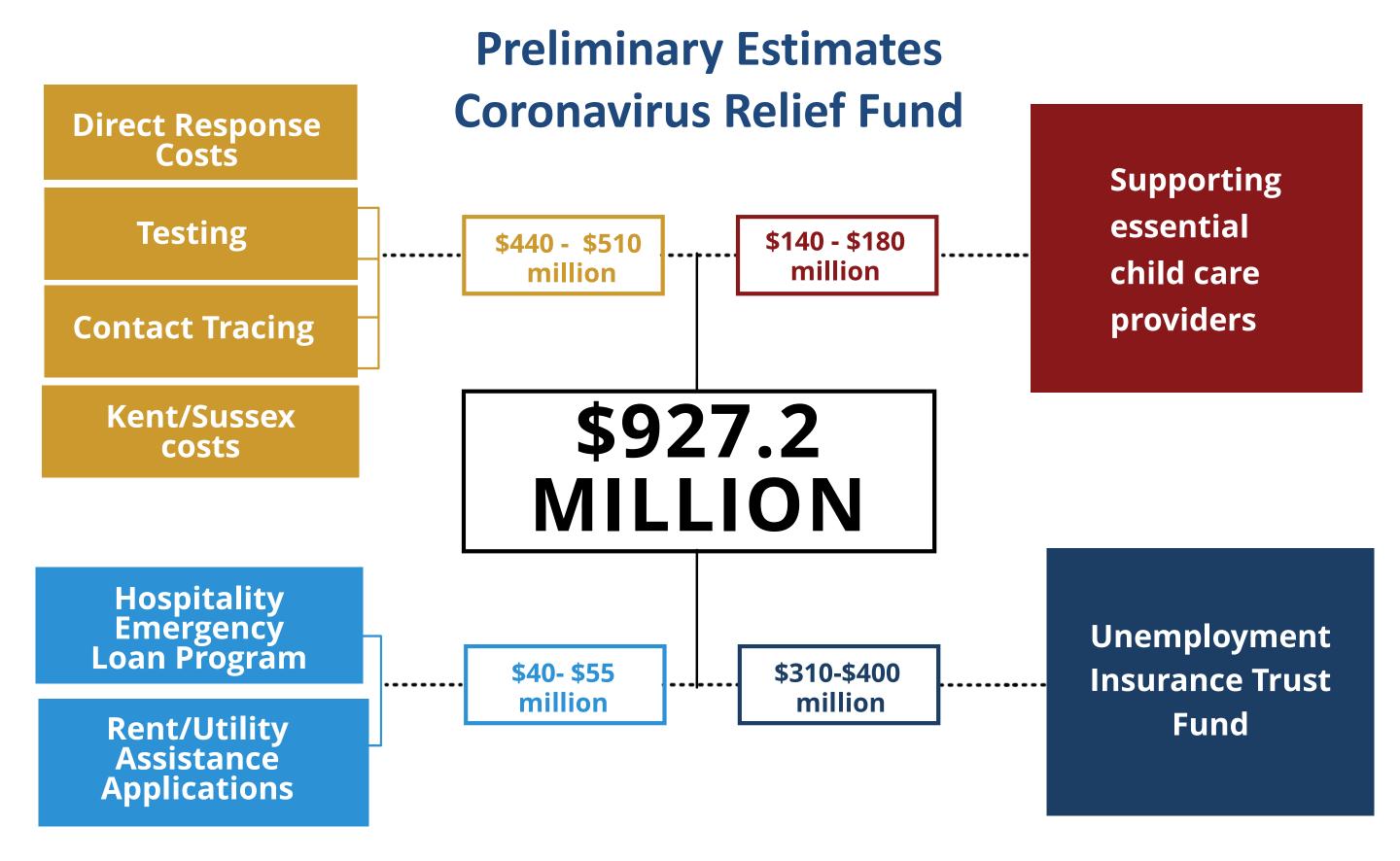
New Castle County - \$322.8 million

\$927.2 million

## CARES Act CRF Eligible Expenses

- 1. Are Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) response related;
- 2. Not already accounted for in the State budget; and
- 3. Incurred between March 1, 2020 and December 30, 2020.

CRF cannot be used to replace state revenues lost as a result of the pandemic



Note: The above ranges represent current estimates for these programs and are subject to revision dependent upon the State's pandemic experience and response



We're in this together.

- Be smart.
- Wash your hands.
- Wear a face covering.
- Practice social distancing.
- Protect your neighbors.

For the latest updates:

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